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PORT MORESBY, SUVA AND WELLINGTON FOR NARCOTIC COORDINA-
TORS; BANGKOK FOR DEA-RD DEFAUW; SECSTATE FOR S/NM; DEA
HQS ACTION FOR TR/NTI; DEA HQS INFO FOR ENF, FROM SAIC
GREENE

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MORESBY 0997 DTG 290616Z JUN 78; (H) LOU WELLINGTON 03280
DTG 220209Z JUN 78; (I) TRIP REPORT BY S/A MANSON TO
SOUTH PACIFIC DTD 02/27/78; (J) MEMO DTD 6/30/78 BY
S/A MANSON

1. IN RESPONSE TO REF (A) THE MANILA D.O. SUGGESTS
STARTING DATES OF FEBRUARY 5 OR FEBRUARY 12, 1979. DUE
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TO OTHER ACTIVITIES ALREADY SCHEDULED, I.E., DEA SAIC
CONFERENCE AT BANGKOK, AND NARCOTIC COORDINATOR'S CONFE-
RENCE AT KUALA LUMPUR IN JANUARY; AND IDEA CONFERENCE IN
MID-MARCH AT MANILA, ASSUMING A THREE-WEEK SESSION IS
TO BE SCHEDULED, THE TRAINING WOULD BE COMPLETED BY
EITHER FEB. 23 OR MARCH 2, AND NOT BE IN CONFLICT WITH
OTHER MENTIONED ACTIVITIES. PROPOSED FEBRUARY DATES

WOULD ALSO PRECLUDE PROBLEMS IN CONTRASTING WEATHER FOR PARTICIPANTS FROM TROPICAL ISLAND STATES.

2. ORIGINAL PROPOSAL,(REFS I AND J) AND SUBSEQUENT CORRESPONDENCE (REFS F AND H), OUTLINES DETAILS, AREAS OF CONCERN, AND SUGGESTS LIMITING THE PARTICIPANT STATES TO A WORKABLE AND PRODUCTIVE GROUP, I.E., THE PACIFIC FORUM, A RECOGNIZED SUB-GROUPING OF THE REGION, WHICH CONSISTS OF TWELVE FORUM MEMBERS: AUSTRALIA, COOK ISLANDS, FIJI, GILBERT ISLANDS, NAURU, NEW ZEALAND, NIUE, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, SOLOMON ISLANDS, TUVALU, TONGA, AND WESTERN SAMOA. IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO FUND TRAVEL FOR APPROX. 20 POLICE AND CUSTOMS OFFICERS (2 TRAINEES EACH FROM 10 OF THE 12 CONTIGUOUS SOUTH PACIFIC FORUM STATES). IT IS ESTIMATED THAT NEW ZEALAND WILL HAVE APPROX. 20 POLICE AND CUSTOMS OFFICERS, AND AUSTRALIA WILL HAVE TWO OFFICERS PARTICIPATE AS TRAINEES AND PROVIDE THEIR OWN FUNDING FOR TRAVEL. ACCOMMODATIONS AND MEALS WOULD BE PROVIDED BY GNZ AT NO COST TO FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: NARCOTIC COORDINATORS IN FIJI, PAPUA NEW GUINEA AND WELLINGTON ARE REQUESTED TO COMMENT ON PROPOSED DATES AND PARTICIPANT STATES.

4. ACTION REQUESTED NTI: REF (B) IS THE TENTATIVE LIAISON TRAVEL OF SAIC GREENE TO WELLINGTON; ARRIVE UNCLASSIFIED

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SUNDAY OCT 01 AT 3:10 P.M.; DEPART TUESDAY OCT. 03 AT 8:25 A.M.; AND ELSEWHERE. SAIC GREENE INTENDS TO CONFER WITH NARCOTIC COORDINATOR AND NEW ZEALAND POLICE OFFICIALS REGARDING THE TRAINING PROPOSAL, AND PLANS TO VISIT TRAINING SITE AT THE POLICE COLLEGE, TRENTHAM, WITH THE NARCOTIC COORDINATOR. PRIOR TO HIS VISIT, SAIC GREENE WOULD APPRECIATE BEING ADVISED BY NTI OF THE SCHEDULE OF WHEN NTI INTENDS TO SEND AN ADVANCE TRAINING TEAM. WILL THIS CONSIST OF A CUSTOMS TRAINER ALSO?

5. SAIC GREENE WOULD FURTHER APPRECIATE A FIRM COMMITMENT FROM NTI ON TRAINING DATES PRIOR TO OCTOBER 01, SO THAT HE CAN BE IN A POSITION TO FINALIZE PROPOSAL TO NEW ZEALAND AUTHORITIES, WHO WILL BE HOSTING. THIS WILL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR NEW ZEALAND AUTHORITIES TO EXTEND INVITATIONS AND CONFIRM PARTICIPATION OF PACIFIC FORUM STATES THROUGH THEIR MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. MURPHY

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